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COUNTRY East Germany REPORT

TOPIC Occupation of the Military Installation of the Eberswalde, Krampnitz  
and Kuestrin Posts

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REFERENCES

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1. On 6 October, The Britz cantonment (4301) in Eberswalde was occupied by 1,000 to 1,500 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. The soldiers apparently belonged to an AAA unit. Forty recruits arrived. <sup>1</sup>
2. On 5 October, the Waldeslust AAA emplacements near the Finow ammunition depot was being vacated. Five trucks towing 5 x 37-mm AA guns and 2 trucks carrying billeting equipment left toward Finow. <sup>2</sup>
3. On 4 October, the Kavallerie Schule (2161) in Krampnitz was occupied by at least 4,000 soldiers. On 13 September, the 6 guns from the AAA emplacement south of Nord Strasse were transferred to the training area northeast of the installation, probably because the old emplacement, which was located in a depression, was flooded. According to statements by German barracks employees and observations, 80 percent of the units stationed in Krampnitz participated in the fall exercises of the 10th Cds Tank Div between 21 and 26 September. On 4 October, approximately 100 soldiers, probably recruits, arrived.

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4. Between 28 September and 3 October, the Artillerie Kaserne (4601) in Kuestrin was occupied by approximately 650 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets with and without artillery insignia. At about 0200 on 7 October, approximately 40 motor vehicles with 24 x 37-mm AA guns entered the Artillerie Kaserne by road from the direction of Manschnow. The installation was occupied by approximately 1,000 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Trucks  were seen.

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1. Comment. The Britz cantonment has been continually occupied by 200 soldiers between 7 August and 26 September. The increase of the occupation strength to more than 1,000 soldiers confirms other observations, according to which elements of the 63d AAA Div returned to their Eberswalde post upon completion of firing practices at Mustrow after 3 October.   
 Prior to the departure of the units on 6 May, the installation was reportedly occupied by approximately 900 soldiers.

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- 25X1 2. [ ] Comment. The evacuation of the AAA emplacement is reported for the first time. The fact that the departing trucks carried billeting equipment supports the impression that the emplacement was abandoned.
- 25X1 3. [ ] Comment. The observations confirm previous reports according to which the Kavallerie Schule has been again occupied to capacity since early October. The motor vehicle [ ] belong to the 10th Gds Tank Div. 25X1
- 25X1 4. [ ] Comment. The units which entered the Artillerie Kaserne were the elements of the 32d AAA Div which left by road toward Manschnow on 25 September. [ ] The motor vehicle [ ] belong to the 32d AAA Div. 25X1

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